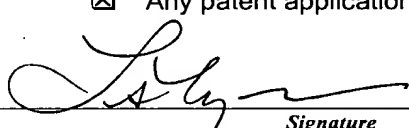



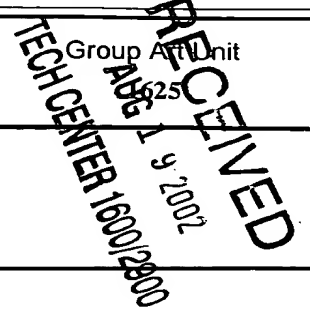
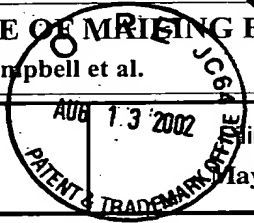
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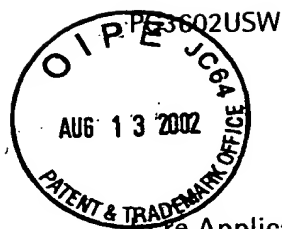
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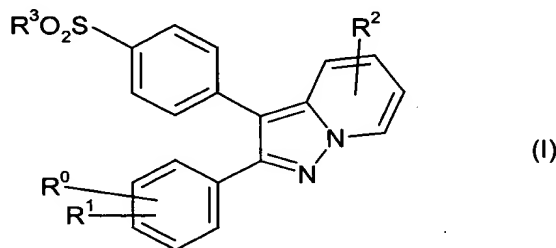
Responsive to the Office Action mailed 15 May 2002, please amend and reconsider the instant application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendment

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 26-32 as follows. The following clean claims reflect the amendments being made herein. The following is a complete set of claims as pending after the instant amendment. A marked-up copy of the amended claims 26-32 is attached hereto.

1. (Twice Amended) A compound of formula (I)



and pharmaceutically acceptable derivatives thereof wherein